



OUR HOME, OUR COUNTRY, AND OUR BROTHER MAN.

HINTS RESPECTING MANURES.

We have often made the remark, that, to the farmer in New England, manure is to his crops, what steam is to the locomotive. Hence it is an object to the farmer in Maine, to husband well every material that will make manure, and to draw upon every resource that will afford them a supply of this essential article. The latter part of this month, and the first of the fall months, (the busy seasons being partially over,) often afford the most convenient time for collecting muck and peat from meadows and lowlands, that are too wet during other seasons of the year to allow operations of the kind in them. If the farmer cannot well attend to it himself, he would find it no bad investment to hire a man for a month; furnish him with a team, and employ him exclusively in the business of collecting peat, muck, leaves and such like substances for the purpose of converting them into manure. Experiment, guided by the discoveries in chemical science, has taught farmers much valuable knowledge in the preparations of these substances so as to render them more valuable for dressing to land. Muck and peat may be decomposed in two ways. First, by the more slow, but pretty sure way of mingling them with the droppings of cattle in the hog and barn yard; and second, by the more rapid but equally effective mode of mingling them with ashes, or with potash, or with substances in a putrescent state, as recommended by Jaffreit and Bonnier.

Although much has been discovered in regard to the nature and action of manures, there are yet many principles not perfectly understood, and respecting which there is some controversy. For instance, some lay great stress on the action of what they have called nitrogenous substances, or substances of which nitrogen forms a considerable proportion, and they lay down rules for saving and employing this substance or its compounds in manures. Others, on the other hand, do not place a very high value upon this nitrogenous matter, and think that manures that have decomposed or rotted until it has all been driven off, act as well or better, than if it is retained. Others, again, consider the mineral ingredients of a manure the only active part, and recommend to dry and burn whatever you may have for manure and use the ashes. Now this discrepancy of belief and theory proves that there is a scarcity of definite and certain knowledge among them, and that farther research is needed, and farther experiment and observation required to elicit such facts as shall establish one way or the other the principles in dispute.

There can be no doubt, that in the round of germination, growth and decay, all the elements of organized matter have some action upon the vegetable kingdom, and it is the province of the farmer to study out and clearly understand how and in what manner this action takes place and is carried on. Knowledge of every kind is progressive, and its being progressive should encourage every one to aid in the investigation, and not be discouraged because the whole is not known.

Some years since, Messrs. Bourne and Payson paid much attention to the chemical ingredients and the action of different species of manures. They came to the conclusion that nitrogen was one of the most valuable ingredients in manures, and substances were valuable for that purpose, according to the amount that they afforded during decomposition. This nitrogen united with the hydrogen of the substances, and formed ammonia, and this becoming dissolved and taken into the circulation, or being absorbed by the leaves, formed a useful and essential element of the plant in some form or other, by being combined with other elements, which went to make up the crop.

They made out a long table, intending to show the comparative value of different substances as manures, taking common farm yard dung as a standard.

This, it will be perceived, can only be a rough scale—the standard itself not having a very definite value attached to it—for what is common farm yard dung on one farm, may vary much in power from what is common farm yard dung on another.

We copy from their table some of the substances named, showing the number of loads required of those substances in both a moist and a dry state, to equal one hundred loads of farm yard dung, so far as the quantity of nitrogen is concerned.

	Moist.	Dry.
Pea straw,	23	100
Wheat straw,	166	650
Rye straw,	235	975
Oat straw,	142	541
Barley straw,	173	750
Burned clover roots,	24	110
Flax (oil) cake,	7	32
Sawdust of oak,	74	256
Solid cow dung,	123	84
Cow urine,	91	51
Solid horse dung,	73	85
Blood, liquid,	13	58
Woolen rags,	2	9
Horn raspings,	2	12
Bones, boiled,	5	25
Glue, refuse,	75	213

It is said that Com. Stockton has taken measures to import some of the famous Cambs breed of horses, with which Col. Fremont performed those wonderful feats in traveling which we have published an account of.

HISTORICAL CORN SCRAP.

We like to look back, occasionally, to other days, and learn the ideas and notions that were then prevalent in regard to agricultural products. We can only do this by the means of books. Unfortunately, books upon agriculture, in the early days of this country, (or any other in fact,) are very scarce. Occasionally we find a scrap which gives an insight to the opinions of the good people of olden time, and the following "is one of them."

It is a description of the manner of using Indian corn, written soon after the first settlement of this country, by one who had visited America.

"The manner of using Indian corn in America, is various. It has this advantage over wheat, that subsistence may be drawn from your cornfield before the general harvest; for the green ears, roasted, are delicate food; and as the corn ripens and grows harder, the ears boiled are good eating, with butter and salt. When it is ripe, the corn parched and ground into meal is the hunting and war provision of the Indians; being light to carry, and affording good nourishment. They mix a little of it with water, and it needs no other cooking, having passed the fire in the parching. The grain, soaked in water, will put with its skin when beat in a large mortar with a wooden pestle. Then it is boiled and eaten into manure. Being pounded coarsely, dry, it is also boiled and eaten as rice. Bag puddings and baked puddings, made of it properly, are very good. The meal is also boiled with water, to make what they call hasty pudding, which they eat with butter, and sugar, and also with milk. This hasty pudding, or boiled meal, being mixed with twice as much dry wheat flour and worked into loaves, makes much better and pleasanter bread than flour alone. All creatures fed with Indian corn, have firm and fat flesh: the pork of corn-fed hogs is reckoned the finest in the world for taste and goodness; their fat is milk white, and as hard as butter. The people of those countries where it is the common food of men, are healthy, strong, and hardy."

Such was the character given of good old corn, soon after the white man found out how to cultivate and use it, and we may say that it has sustained itself ever since with remarkable fidelity; although the character of the people has so far changed as to rather despise it as a "common food," and as a consequence they are not so "healthy, strong, and hardy" as they were before superior flour was considered the only food fit for ladies and gentlemen.

CUT THE BUSHES.

It is an old saying, "so old that the memory of man runneth not to the contrary," that if you cut bushes on the full of the moon in August, they will be killed "as dead as Nimrod," and never start up again. It is a fact that bushes cut at this time of year, will not start up quite so freely and vigorously as they will if cut later. We suppose, however, that Mrs. Moon has no more to do with it than Mrs. Victoria has. The cause probably is this. About the middle of August the bushes and shrubs have obtained the most of their growth, but have not yet so far elaborated and perfected themselves as to begin to deposit much starch or mucilaginous matter in the buds and eyes of their branches, &c. This starch, &c., is deposited there for the purpose of affording nourishment to the buds before the leaves are sufficiently perfected to elaborate the sap for nourishment. Consequently, if none is deposited, the buds cannot start so freely and vigorously, and none or but little being elaborated when the bushes are cut, about the middle of August, the buds and eyes being deprived of their appropriate nourishment, are starved, and cannot grow. Are we right in this theory? Right or wrong, cut down all the useless bushes that you can, and if you keep them cut down you will assuredly kill them.

The Journal of Commerce some time since published a paragraph from a California letter, suggesting the obtaining of the wild potato from that distant region to avert the potato rot, so extensively affecting the cultivated root.

THE WILD POTATO.

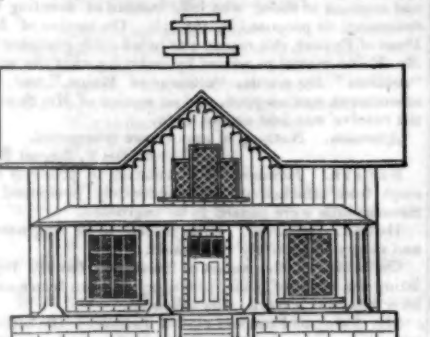
A correspondent, Dr. McCall, writing me from Wytheville, Va., under date of February 1st, 1847, says: "On Gauley River, near Kanawha, in the Hycian district of Western Tennessee, the wild Irish potato may be had, and in three years many varieties may be obtained from it fresh and renewed. There is a burr artichoke of the South, which for table use should be extensively cultivated. The edible core of the artichoke when boiled or trimmed, is as large as a goose egg, and most delicate flavor. The artichoke family were the most ancient Lotus family of the Egyptians, and the wild onion, common among our mountains, shoots up its stem doubled, its top inclining downward, thus showing the original of the most common Egyptian hieratic character. There is a wild onion common in our mountains called the *Rhamps*:—it is strong and unpalatable."

Near Huntsville, Ala., can be found in the mountains the indigenous Tomato and Nicotianum Tobago in a wild and imperfect condition, and on the Tennessee and Cumberland River lands can be obtained a peculiar artichoke resembling the sweet potato, some samples being one foot in length. It seems not to be generally known that these are natives of the United States. On the river banks this artichoke yields from 300 to 500 bushels per acre, and is very difficult to eradicate. It is the great hard oil manufacturer of the Southern Swamps, and promises to annihilate the whole harpoon race of the destructives. There are also several dyestuffs of vegetable and mineral character, dispersed and useless in vast districts, which are as good as similar articles brought from foreign places. Why does not some one look after these things?"

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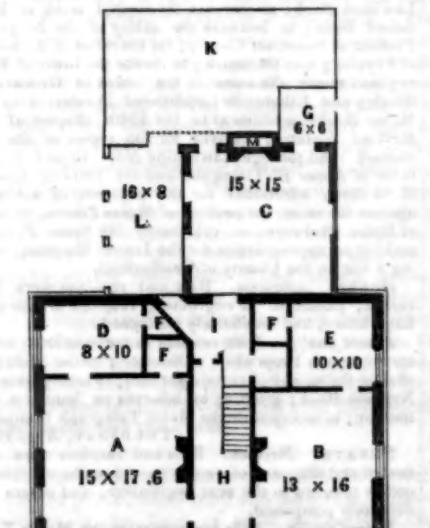
RURAL ARCHITECTURE.

Editors Cultivator.—In your favor of the 7th inst., you extend to me an invitation to send an article for the Cultivator. It is entirely a new business to me, and I may fail in sending you anything that you will think worthy of insertion. Should this be the case, you will do me the favor not to use it. In looking for a subject, my mind fixed upon two or three, which I deem of general interest. These were Roads, Fences, and Buildings. Having several plans of dwelling houses in my memorandum book, I have selected one,



ELEVATION.

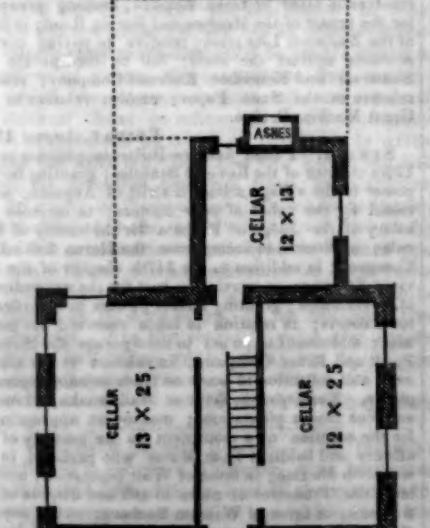
and attempted to give you a draft of it. I am not a mechanic, and feel that I am laying myself open to criticism. I have been led, perhaps, to select this subject from having recently re-perused Mr. Downing's works on Cottage Residences and Landscape Gardening, in which works I have been much interested. I have access to no works treating on the same subject that I read with more satisfaction. I like them better than Loudon's, because they are better adapted to our own country. But still it seems to me there is something needed to meet the wants of the mechanic and farming community—I mean the working portion—men who manage their own tools, and work their own farms. Mr. Downing's Designs and Plans are too expensive for general use among this class of persons; they will do for what are termed gentlemen farmers, and mechanics who work, if at all, in gloves; but we want something for the industrious working man. A man who has a farm of fifty or one hundred acres, worth \$30 to \$40 per acre, does not like to expend 12, 15, or \$2500 in building a dwelling house; and if he is a prudent man, will



PRINCIPAL FLOOR.

A. Parlor—B. Sitting room—C. Kitchen—D. E. bed room—F. Closet—G. Pantry—H. Hall—J. Back hall, lighted from back door—K. Wood-house—L. Stoop—M. Aisle.

not do it; and yet, he wants a comfortable home, and deserves it as much as any one. Of a hundred dwelling houses, in view from where I am now writing, perhaps not more than fifteen or twenty would be considered worth over \$1000; and these, I should judge, are rather above the average of our country. This, I think, shows, that a work containing designs of a less expensive character is needed to meet the wants of a large portion of our population.



CELLAR.

Mr. Downing, in an article published in the Sept. number of the Horticulturalist, complains of the manner in which the Grecian and other styles of architecture have been misapplied in this country, and says he now "sees strong symptoms of another disease manifesting itself." &c., alluding to the rural Gothic style of building, as now practiced among us. Has not his work on Cottage Residences had this very effect to some extent. Persons have seen his work and designs, and have been pleased with them, and in building have endeavored to imitate them; but not feeling able to fully adopt his plans and carry them out, they have tried to introduce some of his suggestions in a cheap way, and have thus produced the specimens of bad taste to which he alludes. For one, I do not wish to see any particular style generally adopted. It would

not comport with our heterogeneous population, or our great variety of scenery. We want variety—plans fitted for various locations, and this can be arrived at better by using a variety of style. In connection with the work published by Mr. Downing, is not wanting another, to furnish that portion of the community to which I have referred, and who can better supply it than Mr. D. himself?

In looking over the buildings now in my view, I should judge they would average about the size of the plan of the one I now send you. It is designed for a family of from six to ten persons; and I think the arrangement is such as would be convenient and desirable.

In different portions of our country, different materials are used in building, and different uses are made of the same materials. At the west, there are many buildings put up with what are called balloon frames, covered with boards and clapboards. With us clapboards are generally used as an outside covering upon the ordinary timber frame. Mr. Ellsworth highly recommends the *Pine* houses of unburnt brick. Mr. Downing has introduced the vertical board covering. Among these, I like Mr. D.'s best, both as to the appearance and utility. The main objection to it is, that it is too expensive, particularly if it is filled in with brick, as Mr. D. recommends.

In the plan I send, you will see I have adopted Mr. Downing's covering for the outside, but propose to use it as follows: Let the cellar walls be built up with stone from two to three feet above the ground, putting a good coat of water cement on top of the wall to prevent dampness from arising—then lay up the walls of unburnt brick, as recommended by Mr. Ellsworth, in his Report on Patents

for the year 1844, putting in scantling 3 by 4 inches, on the outside, once in three feet, around the entire building, to nail the vertical boarding to, when the walls are finished.

This embraces part of Mr. Downing's and part of Mr. Ellsworth's improvements. The objection I have to Mr. E.'s covering of cement, is the difficulty of making it stand our climate. Using Mr. D.'s covering, obviates this objection, and in combining the two we have something about as near perfect as we can look for. You will observe, also, that it is cheaper than a frame of timber, as all the timber that is necessary to use is the joists for flooring, and the scantling outside, until you reach the plates. The expense of walls of unburnt brick is about six cents per cubic foot. The two principal partitions should be of unburnt brick, six inches thick; to be carried from the cellar to the roof, plastering inside immediately upon the brick. This saves more than one-half the expense of plastering. In such a building, we have the advantages of its being warm, dry, and clean. It is warmer than brick or stone, because a better non-conductor of cold, or than wood alone, because tighter. Another advantage in such a wall is, that no rats, mice, or other vermin, can get within the walls; as they almost always do in every house where studding, or furring and lath, are used. I think such a house can be built for \$600 or \$800.

H. Clinton, N. Y., Dec. 31, 1846.

[Albany Cultivator.]

THE POTATO DISEASE.

MR. EDITOR.—I have noticed in the last Chronicle an article on the potato disease, in which the writer "conjectures that some insect does the mischief." I am inclined to agree with him in this opinion; but my observations differ from his entirely, as to the part first affected. He remarks: "My observation has been that the extremities are first affected by the curling of the leaves, while the other parts of the vine are apparently healthy." I made several observations, the past season, with a view to determine one fact in relation to the subject, viz: where the disease first commenced. The first outward appearance of decay that is seen by the eye, it is true, is indicated by the withering of the leaves and extremities of the branches. But these I regard as external symptoms of the disease, rather than the proof of its origin in that part of the plant. On repeated and critical examination, I became satisfied that the disease commenced under the surface of the ground, in the small root that connects the vine or top with the tuber. Although this section of the plant is very small, not in general over a sixteenth or eighth of an inch in diameter, yet it forms the entire medium of circulation between the tuber and the stalk. I found in all the cases I examined, which were numerous, and directed to the several stages of the disease, that this section of the plant was injured; and that its vital functions were partially or wholly destroyed; thus checking, or wholly cutting off the circulation of the sap between the stalk and the tuber. This obstruction to the circulation between the root and branch, would of course produce a decay of the top, and affect the tuber more or less, according to its state and condition. The first outward symptom of the disease would be seen in the decay of the leaf; then the stalk, and the tuber itself, by being suddenly deprived of its nutriment and means of expansion and growth, would be likely to rot and decay. If I am right in the facts, (though on further observation they may not so appear,) the plainest principles of vegetable physiology will, I think, warrant the conclusions.

As to the locality, where the potato disease may first be seen, I have no doubt—as to the cause of it, I profess to know nothing. I believe, however, that it will appear, when the subject shall be properly and fully investigated, that it is produced by the larva of some insect that attacks and destroys the root, the medium of communication between the tuber and the stalk. Aside from the observa-

tions I have made, this theory is supported by numerous cases, that appear to me to be analogous, and that are familiar to all. We often see other plants, and even trees, destroyed in a similar way. Vines, such as melons, cucumbers, &c., are often destroyed by some insect that attacks them just below the surface of the ground—they perforate the plant, destroy its vitality at that point, stop the circulation between the root and vine, and it at once dries up and decays. The apple and peach borer attacks the tree, at or just under the surface, and eats round, and sometimes through the stalk. You will first notice that the growth of the tree is checked; then the leaves begin to turn yellow and decay. The unpracticed eye it is a great mystery why trees that had received so much attention should die at last; but to him who is familiar with the work of these pests of the orchard and nursery, the cause of decay will readily be detected. He removes the earth from their trunks, sees the chips the little trespassers have flung out behind them, as they have gnawed through the bark and wood, and at once learns the cause of the mischief.

I have made these remarks, to draw the attention of Farmers to some practical experiments, and observations, on the subject. If they can determine where the plant is first attacked, the cause of the disease may more readily be discovered. Did we know what produced the injury, a remedy, in all probability, might follow. If found that it is produced by the larva of some insect, will not the application of ashes or other alkaline substance, deposited in the hill at the time of planting, not only serve as a fertilizer, and promote the growth of the plant, but destroy the insects and prevent the disease? Experiments on these points of inquiry may lead to useful results.

I cannot refrain from noticing a new theory on this subject, from the great Apostle of Agricultural Chemistry. We have been in the habit of worshipping Liebig; but since he has come out with his theory in this matter, although my hands are up, my adorations have ceased. He says: "The cause of the disease is the same which, in spring and autumn, excites influenza; that is, the disease is the effect of the temperature and hygienic state of the atmosphere, by which, in consequence of the disturbance of the normal transpiration, a check is suddenly, or for a considerable length of time, given to the motion of the fluids, which is one chief condition of life, and which thus becomes insupportable for the purposes of health, or even harmful to the individual." The idea that the Potato Disease is produced by an attack of the "influenza" upon that old and venerable plant, must excite the attention of the incredulous. After living in all countries and climates north of the tropics, for more than two hundred years, without a cold or cough, it is probable that now, for the first time, it is in danger of being cut off by "influenza"? Such theories do not exactly coincide with my notions of common sense, or, I believe, with the philosophy of those who are less distinguished, but more rational and profound, than the learned author. D. READ. July 21, 1848. [Vermont Agriculturist.]

Mr. Thomas Andrews, of Smithfield, obtained the premium offered for the best cultivated farm, by the Rhode Island society for the Encouragement of Domestic Industry in 1847. The committee who examined this farm speak of it in high terms. It had been in the possession of Mr. Andrews ten years, and the committee say, that having been familiar with it in former years, they were not less surprised than gratified by the striking change that has been effected by its present owner. They say further—"The farm throughout shows skillful, sound, and clean husbandry; the buildings are nearly all in excellent condition, and the many contrivances within doors, and without, for abbreviating labor and economizing time, for the comfort of the family, and for the bumble tenants of the stable and the sty; and especially, the arrangements for the collection and preservation of everything that can be converted into manure—all indicate the orderly, pains-taking and industrious farmer; and show that while he keeps a steady eye upon everything that can be turned to profitable account, he is not unmindful of the higher duty of rendering his home agreeable and respectable." In regard to Mr. A.'s mode of feeding his animals, the committee remark that he has gone on the "sententious advice of an experienced old farmer, 'feed high.' He has always acted upon this plan. Every animal upon his premises, bled and quadruped, is well fed and full fed. His cattle are not lank, hide-bound, and cross, but fat, sleek and kindly." We make the following extract from Mr. Andrews' statement to the committee: "My farm contains 113 acres. There are about 50 acres of arable and reclaimed land, 30 acres of pasture, and the balance is mostly in wood.

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12 acres yielded 36 tons, \$14,	\$1132 00
3 tons swamp hay, \$5,	15 00
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400 " " on hand, have been offered 75c,	300 00
90 " " small, 55c,	49 50
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87 bushels winter apples, 30c,	26 10
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29 loads pumpkins,	29 00
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The following answers to your queries will show my mode of cultivation. "1st. Depth of Plowing.—I plow 8 1/2 inches in all cases where it is possible, and in some loamy soils deeper. "2. I used the subsoil plow last year on a field of 6 acres; subsoiling 4, and leaving 2, as an experiment. I plowed with a common plow, 7 inches deep, and followed with the subsoil 20 inches—stirring the earth 27 inches—sowed oats and grass seed. The oats were very large, on all the six acres, averaging 5 feet high, and there was no perceptible difference in the oats by subsoiling. [The grass was a week later on the part of the field that was subsoiled; there was less clover, but more berds grass and red top; the yield of hay was somewhat greater.] "3. Rotation of Crops.—I find planting Indian corn more than one year on the same land makes but little difference to the crops, but almost every other kind of grain does not do as well. Rye is more apt to blight, and potatoes are sure to fail the second year. I have not generally got more than half a crop from second year's planting. "4. Indian Corn.—I cultivated for five years the white cap corn of medium size, and deep plowing and manure caused it to grow larger and later. I also tried the yellow cap corn, but I find the white to have less weight in cob, and more fodder than the yellow. Last year I planted two acres of the white and yellow mixed equally, and found the result was in favor of the mixed corn. It was heavier than either white or yellow, by three-fourths of a pound to the bushel. I generally plant green sword, plow late in the spring, as plowing in the fall by freezing and thawing, the soil becomes wasted by winds blowing. By plowing late in the spring the corn is never injured by the grass worm. I plant my ground but one year if I can get the soil rotten enough to seed down. If I plant two years, I plant potatoes first and corn afterwards, as the land will decidedly take seed better after corn than after potatoes—but by planting only one year the grass crops will last longer than if planted two years. I plow in the manure about the middle of May, roll the soil with a heavy roller, and mark the rows with a light plow 31 feet by 3, and put five grains in a hill, at second hoeing, leave four the

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The following answers to your queries will show my mode of cultivation. "1st. Depth of Plowing.—I plow 8 1/2 inches in all cases where it is possible, and in some loamy soils deeper. "2. I used the subsoil plow last year on a field of 6 acres; subsoiling 4, and leaving 2, as an experiment. I plowed with a common plow, 7 inches deep, and followed with the subsoil 20 inches—stirring the earth 27 inches—sowed oats and grass seed. The oats were very large, on all the six acres, averaging 5 feet high, and there was no perceptible difference in the oats by subsoiling. [The grass was a week later on the part of the field that was subsoiled; there was less clover, but more berds grass and red top; the yield of hay was somewhat greater.] "3. Rotation of Crops.—I find planting Indian corn more than one year on the same land makes but little difference to the crops, but almost every other kind of grain does not do as well. Rye is more apt to blight, and potatoes are sure to fail the second year. I have not generally got more than half a crop from second year's planting. "4. Indian Corn.—I cultivated for five years the white cap corn of medium size, and deep plowing and manure caused it to grow larger and later. I also tried the yellow cap corn, but I find the white to have less weight in cob, and more fodder than the yellow. Last year I planted two acres of the white and yellow mixed equally, and found the result was in favor of the mixed corn. It was heavier than either white or yellow, by three-fourths of a pound to the bushel. I generally plant green sword, plow late in the spring, as plowing in the fall by freezing and thawing, the soil becomes wasted by winds blowing. By plowing late in the spring the corn is never injured by the grass worm. I plant my ground but one year if I can get the soil rotten enough to seed down. If I plant two years, I plant potatoes first and corn afterwards, as the land will decidedly take seed better after corn than after potatoes—but by planting only one year the grass crops will last longer than if planted two years. I plow in the manure about the middle of May, roll the soil with a heavy roller, and mark the rows with a light plow 31 feet by 3, and put five grains in a hill, at second hoeing, leave four the

KILLING THE BUFFALO.

No animal requires so much killing as buffaloes. Unless shot through the lungs, or spine, they invariably escape; and even when thus mortally wounded, or even struck thru' the very heart, they will frequently run a considerable distance before falling to the ground, particularly if they see the hunter after the wound is given. If, however, he keeps himself concealed after firing, the animal will remain still, if it does not immediately fall. It is a most painful sight to witness the dying struggles of the huge beast. The buffalo invariably evinces the greatest repugnance to lie down when mortally wounded, apparently conscious that when once touching mother earth, there is no hope left for him. A bull, shot through the heart or lungs, with blood streaming from his mouth, and protruding tongue, his eyes rolling, bloodshot, and glazed with death, braces himself on his legs, swaying from side to side, stamps impatiently at his growing weakness, or lifts his rugged and matted head, and helplessly bellows out his conscious impotence. To the last, however, he stands upright, and plants his limbs further apart, but to no purpose. As the body rolls, like a ship at sea, his head slowly turns from side to side, looking about, as it were, for the unseen and treacherous enemy who has bet'ed him, the lord of the plains, to such a pass. Drops of purple blood spurt from his mouth and nostrils, and gradually the falling limbs refuse longer to support the ponderous carcass; more heavily rolls the body from side to side, until suddenly, for a brief instant, it becomes rigid and still; a convulsive tremor seizes it, and with a low, sobbing gasp, the huge animal falls over on his side, the limbs extended stark and stiff, and the mountain of flesh without life or motion.

Notwithstanding the great and wanton destruction of the buffalo, many years must elapse before this lovely animal becomes extinct. In spite of their numerous enemies, they will exist in countless numbers, and as soon as steps be taken to protect them, as is done in respect to other game, they would ever remain the life and ornament of the boundless prairies, and afford ample and never-failing provision to the travelers over these otherwise desolate plains. [Ruxton's Mexico and the Rocky Mountains.]

METALLIC VESSELS, employed in cooking, particularly worthy of notice, are those coated internally with a kind of enamel, prepared without the admixture of lead, or any other poisonous ingredients, and consequently no bad effects can ensue.

Vessels of the above description are now manufactured both in Europe and in this country,



AUGUST, THURSDAY, AUG. 17, 1888.

SPRINGS IN AND ABOUT CARTS

Some years ago, a long and laborious investigation was had before a committee of the British Parliament, with a view to ascertain the best principles of constructing roads of all kinds, and the best form of vehicles, so that the various plans and inventions of transportation and locomotion might be ascertained.

It was there proved, by men long experienced in wagoning and the management of stages and other modes of conveyance, that, although springs in carriages, so placed as to break the sudden jolt or concussion occasioned by passing over obstacles or rough places, did not diminish the weight of the burden, they nevertheless made it easier for the horses, easier for riders, easier for the carriages, and easier for the roads.

We all know, that a sudden concussion, or jolt, is more difficult to withstand, from a given weight, if thrown upon our shoulders, than if it were let down gently; and the principle holds good, not only when applied to ourselves but to horses, and even to the inanimate carriage and the roads.

The more springs you can have, compatible with strength and durability, to ward off those sudden jolts, the better.

We saw, not long since, in Alexander's Messenger, a notice of a certain contrivance, or invention, patented by Thomas S. Speakman, of Philadelphia, to be applied to carts, drays, &c., for the very purpose above named.

In the usual mode of harnessing horses into carts and drays, we have a chain passing from one shaft over the saddle on the horse's back, to the other. This brings the weight of the shafts and part of the load on to the horse's back, and it falls dead and heavy every time the wheels pass over obstacles, or over rough places and inequalities in the road.

To obviate this, and give the horse relief in this respect, Mr. S. fastens under each shaft, a half elliptic spring, the centre of which is connected to the lower ends of the shafts, which pass freely through a hole bored in the shaft and connect with the chain that passes over the back. This affords relief to the back of the horse, by letting the load come down gradually and gently at each jolt, and not suddenly and violently as in the common mode.

"A merciful man is merciful to his horse," and we hope an invention so simple and so useful as this, will come into general use.

We think a similar contrivance on the top of an ox-yoke, connected with the ring and staple, would relieve the necks of the oxen very much and be of great service, who will try it?

SAVE YOUR DROSS.

In extensive furnaces and iron works, the dross, or slag, collects and is thrown out as a useless thing, often being in the way, or forming an unsightly heap of rubbish.

A French mechanic, some years ago, devised the plan of making a good use of this material. He accordingly laid moulds, or forms in a situation to allow the dross to flow into them. The dross is allowed to cool very gradually, so as to render it tough; and to effect this, the forms are placed so as to receive a portion of the surplus fuel of the furnace.

The inventor thus forms flag stones, blocks for building, or for paving and other useful purposes, and they have been found to be very durable and convenient; exhibiting a hardness in many instances superior to granite. Thus, what was formerly in the way, and considered as a nuisance, is converted to a valuable use.

HUNTING THE CRITTER. A New Orleans watchman being desirous recently of ascertaining where they sold liquor without a license, disguised himself in the evening as a volunteer, and hunted. He took so many drams that he became uproarious, and was locked up in the watch-house by his brother watchmen, who little thought he was "one of 'em."

NIAGARA BEAT. A writer in a Rochester paper says that there is a fall of water in the Eastern Ghats, between Bombay and Comoro, as much higher than Niagara as Niagara is higher than the stroke of a pump handle.

The river Shiravati, which falls from the Arabian sea, makes a width of a quarter of a mile, but the fall being curved, is a sweep of half a mile—it then tumbles over a plane of forty-five degrees, three hundred feet, and from this fetches a perpendicular leap of eight hundred and fifty feet! "What a fall is there, my countryman!" Excellent place for a cotton factory, ain't it, Mr. Yankee? He can't thunder though like old Niagara, any how you can fix it, and it hasn't got no bridge across it strung upon iron wire.

THE LITERARY AMERICAN is the title of a very neat and exceedingly well conducted literary journal recently established in the city of New York, by G. P. Quackenbush. It is in quarto form, and contains sixteen pages. Terms—\$3 per annum, in advance; two copies for one year, or one copy for two years, \$5. Address G. P. Quackenbush, post paid, 41 Ann-st., New York.

ELECTIONS. State elections have recently been held in North Carolina, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Indiana, and Iowa. Partial returns have been received by telegraph, but from the jumbled up and conflicting statements, it is hard telling who they're voted. We shall publish the results as soon as they are known "for certain."

FELONIOUS ASSAULT. A street fight occurred in Market Square, on Tuesday night, about twelve o'clock, in which a young man named Joseph Nickless received a severe if not mortal wound with a knife between his lower ribs. It was thought impossible for him to recover for a day or two, but he was said yesterday to be in a fair way to recover. Nickless was met by a gang of half-intoxicated rowdies, and says he was assailed by two of them, whom he named. They were both arrested, and when our paper went to press were under examination. Although there is said to have been some old grudge existing between the parties, we apprehend that rum was the principal instigator of the assault, and the catastrophe but one of the legitimate effects of drunk drinking. We have need of a more numerous police.

STATE OF THE CROPS.

Mr. Editor—In your 50th No. some account was given of a shower of hail which occurred at this place on the 16th of the last month. It is surprising indeed what a change has taken place during the short space of four weeks. Crops of corn, grain and potatoes, which were supposed to be entirely destroyed, have now revived and promise an abundant harvest. Some fields of corn and grain, however, which were in a very forward state at the time of the occurrence of the shower, do not promise at this time a very bountiful crop. Late sown grain and oats never appeared so well with us as at this time. This furnishes another argument in favor of growing some early and some later crops, as by doing so the farmer will often realize a better return than when the whole is committed to the ground at a very early period in the spring.

Potatoes here have not as yet been touched by the disease; some of which, procured from a gentleman of Lincoln county, entirely escaped the rot last year, and at this time the same variety certainly wear a fine appearance. Changing the seed from one section of the country to another, and the planting of the balls with a view to procure new varieties, have been recommended.

Although it is asserted that early planted potatoes are less affected by disease than those planted late, still we believe that the farmer who reserves a portion of his seed till the last of May or first of June, may in some seasons prove to have been wiser than the advocate of early planting.

Potatoes growing incertably very profitable; even if one fourth or one third of the crop prove an entire failure, the rise in the price of this most esteemed article of food will more than compensate for the loss. By experimenting, by courage and perseverance, may we not have strong ground to hope that this calamity, so much dreaded, may soon be much mitigated or entirely averted.

Emigrants. The number of emigrants that arrived during the first seven months of this year at New York, is 110,044. If this were not a "great country" as natives would soon be crowded out.

Nominations. The Free Soil Convention, held at Buffalo last week, nominated Martin Van Buren as their candidate for President, and Charles F. Adams, of Boston, for Vice President.

Off at last. The mammoth steamer New World, at New York, which is four hundred feet long, has, after two attempts, been safely launched. It took two powerful steamers to haul her into what Paddy would call her native element; and she will want a small bay to turn in.

Smoking the "tini." The editor of the Boston Post has received some of the cigars that were captured with Santa Anna's cargo. So it seems old Timber-leg makes some smoke yet for editors.

Rocks fallen. An immense rock, in the mountains seven hundred feet high, recently fell into the valley of Montoux, Switzerland. It killed two thousand head of cattle as it swept along, and crushed seven houses and all their inmates.

Fresh water below the salt. At New Haven, Ct., they have bored down through the wharves and salt water to the depth of forty feet, and brought up pure fresh water through iron tubes, put down for the purpose. It rises within a foot of the top and is inexhaustible.

Very descriptive. Cape Island is described by a late writer as having "a great quantity of white sand on one side and a good deal more on the other." It must be very romantic.

Bigger than Harvard's. Panoramas views of the Mississippi are getting popular. Stockwell, a painter of St. Louis, is painting one three times larger than Harvard's.

Bursting fit. An old lady, while sitting on a barrel of yeast, on board of one of the steamers in the English channel, was suddenly thrown ten feet into the air, by the bursting of the barrel. She fell pretty heavy again, and rather crusty.

The largest custom house. The custom house at New Orleans will cover more area than any other custom house in the Union.

Schooling the gipsies. A school for the purpose of teaching the gipsy children and weaning them from their wandering habits, has been established at Farnham, in England, and is doing well. A few more schools throughout that kingdom for vagrant children would be a capital plan.

Loss of the liquor. A fire in New York burnt up \$13,000 worth of wines and other liquors for the Messrs. Delmonico.

Song factory. A person in Dublin, finding sedition songs in demand, proposes to manufacture them to order for a fair consideration.

Texas sugar. In 1846 Texas exported fifty hogsheads of sugar. The crop of this year is estimated to be five thousand hogsheads.

Four cents or six cents. There has been a disagreement between the Senate and House of Representatives, on a grave subject. The House voted to allow six cents to the navy in lieu of grog, but the Senate thought four cents was enough, inasmuch as a man could, if he had good liquor, get comfortably drunk on that.

Butting out the Hudson Bay Company. If accounts are correct an offer has been made to our Government, by the Hudson Bay Company, to sell out all their houses, forts, territory, buffaloes, Indians, and grizzly bears, at a fair price, and that the proposition has been discussed by the Senate in secret session.

Quakeress missionary. Susan Howland, and her husband, Joseph Howland, of New Bedford, have embarked in the Europa for Liverpool. Mrs. H. goes out as a missionary to France, with the hope of carrying and introducing the scriptures to the benighted of those countries who are deprived of the privilege of reading the bible.

Vermont barbert. There is a report, in Vermont, that an enormous snake has been seen on the east side of the west mountain, as big as a stove pipe and twelve feet long. The Green Mountain boys are determined to nab him and take off his jacket. It is no place there for such varmints.

Spanish debt. It is stated, by foreign papers, that Spain owes to British bondholders, five hundred millions of dollars.

THE INDIANS.

The following interesting letter, relative to some of the Indian tribes of the West, is from the pen of a young artist of Boston, who, says the Traveller, in which paper we find it, is perusing the wild regions of the far West, with a view to the cultivation of his artistic taste, and at the same time indulging a penchant for seeing life in the wilderness.

THE OREGON GRAVE INDIANS. PLATT RIVER, AUG. 10, 1888. Editors of the Traveller.—I address you from the broad prairie, where I am enjoying all the comforts and novelties of a camp life, under the protection of the Oregon battalion, arrived here, rather late, for the purpose of late to meet the emigration to Oregon, which this year has been unusually limited; but I am upon the great trail, and shall join any efficient party that passes. Col. Fremont is expected soon. (He is a fine fellow.)

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PUBLIC CEMETERY.

The Forest Grove Cemetery, in this town, will be consecrated by public services on this (Wednesday) afternoon.

Address by Oliver Means, A. M.; Poem by Rev. Wheelock Craig.

A procession will be formed at the Unitarian Church, at 4 1/2 o'clock, P. M. and will proceed to the spot—where the ceremonies will take place at 5 o'clock.

All interested, both ladies and gentlemen, are invited to join the procession. The scholars in the several Sunday Schools in town, are expected to form in the procession.

Should the weather prove unfavorable, the ceremonies will be postponed.

LOCK JAW. A son of Isaac Quinnet, of Sandwich, died recently of lock jaw occasioned by a wound on the foot by a pitchfork, while haying. The wound healed over, but lock jaw set in and occasioned his death.

HOW TO SHORTEN A STORY BY EPILOGUE. A Miss Story of Covington, Ky., was recently married to Mr. R. Short. So the story is made short by doubling.

DROWNED. Capt. Benjamin Smith, formerly of Duxbury, Mass., jumped overboard at New Orleans, not long since, in a fit of insanity, and was drowned.

HOMESTEAD EXEMPT FROM ATTACHMENT. The Legislature of Wisconsin have passed a law exempting the homestead of a person in the country, of forty acres, and of a person in a village, a quarter of an acre, from attachment for debt.

LEGAL TENDER. In Oregon, wheat, by law, is made a legal tender. The monetary history of young nations gives many curious instances of different articles made to answer the purpose of gold and silver as legal tenders. It doesn't make much odds what is used for this purpose, if all are agreed to it.

PRAIRIE STEAMERS. Gen. Temple, of Illinois, has been engaged a long time in making a steamer that would go safely and swiftly over the prairies. Report says he has accomplished the undertaking, and we shall soon see locomotives dashing across the prairies of the west like the buffaloes of old.

POTATO ROT. McMakin's Courier says great fears are entertained that the potato crop around Bangor will be cut off with the potato rot. The fears are all gone, and so are the potatoes.

SYLVIE GAS. This is the name of a gas made from resin in convenient portable apparatus. It is coming very generally into use in hotels and private dwellings, and is thought to be a great improvement on the common kind of gas obtained from coal.

NEW PHRASE. The more polite mode of telling a man "to go to grass," is to tell him to Nebuchadnezzar.

COOLING. Four thousand tons of ice were shipped from Boston during July—most of it to New Orleans.

AFRAID OF CLUBS. Liverpool, at the last accounts, seems to be much afraid of Irish Clubs. These clubs are sore troubles to John Bull, whether they are exercised in debate or over his pate.

A BAD STORY. Sheriff Allen, of Glasgow, in Scotland, states that out of three hundred thousand inhabitants in that city, eighty thousand of them are to all intents and purposes as much heathens as the Hottentots of Africa.

SKAGGING. From 1835 to 1840, there was built, on the western rivers, five hundred and fifty steam boats. Of these, two hundred and fifteen were snagged and destroyed.

STATE CATTLE SHOW. A state cattle show and fair will be held in Baltimore, Md., in November next. It is connected with an exhibition of the mechanic arts.

EXPEDITION TO CALIFORNIA. Col. Washington, Maj. Graham, and Capt. Kane, with five companies of dragoons, one of light artillery, three hundred and fifty wagons, and a flock of settlers, have started from Monterey for California.

THE ARMY. The strength of the army, after the discharge of those enlisted for the war, is 9,586.

BAD STATE OF THINGS IN CUBA. A letter received in this city from Havana, of recent date, written by an intelligent gentleman who has spent some ten or twelve years in that vicinity, gives a most deplorable account of the state of affairs in that island.

The writer says, "The distress which prevails in the community is truly alarming. Daily there are failures of one or more houses, hitherto extensively engaged in trade. During the week ending July 23d, more than twenty-five mercantile houses suspended payment. Yesterday afternoon I followed to the grave the remains of one of our first merchants, who, frantic at finding himself irretrievably ruined, committed suicide. Many others, owing from fifty to one hundred thousand dollars, have left the city, unwilling to meet the gaze of those with whom they have been accustomed to associate in the time of their prosperity. It is estimated that there are in this immediate vicinity, but outside the city wall, some eighteen thousand souls, who, lacking the means to supply themselves with the daily necessities of life, are literally famishing with hunger. These consist, chiefly, of negroes, who have been driven from their lands, and who are now wandering about the city, begging for food. In this state of things it requires no stretch of the imagination to induce the most gloomy forebodings. I grant that in this connection, the mind is apt to recur to the scenes that are acting abroad, but it must be remembered that these act as incentives to the disaffected, to which class the great mass of the Creole population belong." (Traveller.)

MILITARY VISITORS. The Salem Mechanic's Light Infantry, Capt. Wm. Sanders, a fine looking company, have been on a visit to the Fort. They were warmly received by the officers and men, and were welcomed by salutes of artillery, and received by an assemblage of nearly a thousand of our citizens. They pitched their tents on the left side of the fort, and were warmly received by the officers and men, and were welcomed by salutes of artillery, and received by an assemblage of nearly a thousand of our citizens.

This company was organized forty years ago, and has always been composed entirely of mechanics. They are all young men, and look as if they could do good execution if needed; but we hope they will never have occasion to put any bullets in their guns, except at target-shooting.

[Kennebec Journal, 11th.]

The Seventeen Years Locusts have made their appearance in myriads, in Canada.

LEGISLATIVE COMPEND.

SENATE. Afternoon. Bills and resolves were passed to be engrossed, reports made, &c.

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GENERAL INTELLIGENCE, &c. &c.

Our session has been protracted the usual length of time, but that time, I honestly believe, has been fully improved in the manner in which we have been engaged by the great and growing interests of our State.

An annual degree of harmony has characterized our proceedings here; and this, I repeat, I know, the sentiments of every Senator at this hour, who are largely indebted to the ability and impartiality of the presiding officer of the Senate, and to the courtesy of members one towards another.

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GENERAL INTELLIGENCE, &c. &c.

The debate was further continued. Mr. Foster, of Miss., moved to lay the bill on the table, which motion was lost by the following vote: Yeas, 15, nays 26.

The preamble to the Wilnot Provision section was then taken up. The question being on Mr. Underwood's motion, to suspend the rules, and pass the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered.

A long debate ensued. Mr. Douglas moved an amendment in favor of extending the Missouri Compromise to the Pacific Ocean, which was adopted—yeas 28, nays 21.

After some unimportant business, the session was adjourned, and the bill, as amended, was passed—yeas 28, nays 22.

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ARRIVAL OF THE ACADIA.

unexpectantly, in Kilkenny, and were received by an immense crowd. Mr. O'Brien addressed the citizens.

CLAREMONT, N.Y. We saw a letter this day from Carrick, in which it is stated that among other extensive preparations on the part of the people in that town, twelve armed men and boys with the sound of the pike, and a number of all "vigilant companies," and in the presence of police and military.

A Waterford letter, of a recent date, observes: "A bloody, determined hand to hand fight will inevitably be fought before one month passes should coercion bills be the remedy for Irish grievances. One hardware shop here sold seventeen guns before the new proclamation took effect. All the arms here—say 5000, will be interred this week, unless the arrest of the leaders under the suspension of the Habeas Corpus Act be acted upon. Not a gun or a pike will be given up in this district."

A Carlow paper says:—"We learn, upon authority, that a flying camp, consisting of cavalry and infantry, is about to be formed between Kilkenny and Clonmel. The Commissary General passed through Carlow on the 20th inst., for the purpose of making the necessary arrangements."

Rhubarbism is to remain in the river Suir, to aid in the suppression of any emetic that may take place in Waterford, while the squadron, under command of Sir Charles Napier, is to cruise off the southern sea."

On the 25th inst., at 3 o'clock P.M., a steamer, the "Acadia," arrived from New York, bringing a large number of passengers and cargo. The ship was met by a small boat, and the passengers were taken ashore. The cargo was also landed, and the ship departed for New York.

SEVEN DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

The steamer Acadia arrived at Boston on Sunday. We take the following summary of the news from the Boston Daily Bee of Monday.

IRELAND. The European Times says:—"The position of this unfortunate country is becoming every day more and more critical. The reign of terror has at length begun. Parliament, in the short space of seventy-two hours, has suspended the Habeas Corpus Act, and already more than 1000 warrants, to take up, seize, and imprison all persons to the 1st of March next, who are suspected of being disaffected towards Her Majesty's Crown and Government, have been issued; troops in abundance are being sent into the country, and everything that might and power can be used to curb the rebellious tendencies of the people is put into operation with a degree of alacrity and zeal very unusual in the administration of Irish affairs."

meanwhile the people are organizing. The south are in a state of great excitement, and the cry on all hands seems to be for arms. The clubs are proclaimed, but the leaders, Smith O'Brien, Meagher, Doheny, &c., continue to advise caution, and to abstain from arming the people. A conflict seems inevitable. May be in whose hands are the issues of life and death, and avert such a horrible calamity, and do dispose the hearts of rulers and ruled, that peace in our time may prevail, and Ireland obtain proper and effective remedies for all her grievances with which she is afflicted. Full particulars of the state of the country will follow hereafter."

A letter received from Dublin, dated July 26th, states:—"The Admiralty steamer Sanchoe arrived in Kingston harbor at half past 7 o'clock this morning, with Queen's messenger, who came express from London with a copy of the act for suspending the Habeas Corpus. A special train was at once provided, and the messenger proceeded by the railway to deliver the act to the Lord Lieutenant."

An extraordinary Gazette was published the same afternoon, containing a proclamation, declaring that Her Majesty's representatives in Ireland would proceed forthwith to enforce the provisions of the act."

The Government has determined upon a considerable number of arrests, and it is stated that some persons not heretofore openly connected with the revolutionary movement, are to be taken up. It is said that four clerics have been occupied in writing out the warrants, which await the arrival of the act authorizing the Lord Lieutenant to take the necessary steps.

At this hour, (half past 4 o'clock,) the Attorney General and the Solicitor General are at the Castle, and it has been arranged that the warrants are to be issued this afternoon. Mr. S. O'Brien, and several other leaders, now organizing the clubs throughout the country, are to be taken up to-night; and the attempt to arrest them should lead to an outbreak, they will be brought up to Dublin to-morrow."

The accounts from the South this morning are really most alarming. The Confederate leaders appear to be so insane as to contemplate an insurrection; and, indeed, already they have gone little short of an actual outbreak. The deepest anxiety and apprehension prevail among the country and the well disposed of all classes. From various quarters gentlemen have come up to make representations to the Government on the state of the country to defend their families and property against any insurgent movements. Lord Farnham, from Cavan, and magistrates from Wicklow, Meath, and other counties, have been also at the Castle.

The danger is imminent, but the Lord Lieutenant is well prepared and determined promptly to crush, if he cannot prevent, any insurrection forced on by the men who are endeavoring to produce a convulsion.

"Groups are being formed in England and departing for the South, where the danger is most pressing. At one o'clock to-day, a regiment of cavalry received a sudden order for Kilkenny."

A troop of six hundred men, on route from Cork to Newbridge, has been ordered to halt at Kilkenny, where it is to be stationed for the present.

Four companies of the 80th, which landed this morning from England, marched direct for Kilkenny. The act of insurrection, directed by the Government, was to be executed on the 25th inst. 1. County Kilkenny; 2. County of Wick; 3. County of Meath; 4. County of Dublin. The remainder of the regiment on its arrival here will proceed to the same destination."

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Sabbath Reading.

THE SABBATH.

O it is holy time,
Breathes in the soul,
Within its depths its own great light,
Solemn, restful, claiming special thought,
In sacred silence. In the mind are wrought
Clear visions, grand, sublime.

In memory of God's rest
From his stupendous toil, when, all complete,
The seventh morning dawned, and the spirit
In all-perpetual harmony found rest,
Announcing a creation's perfect birth,
To keep the house as he left.

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MARKETS.

AUGUSTA PRICE CURRENT.

ASHES, per 100 lbs. 1.00
BEANS, 1.00
Bacon, 1.00
Butter, 1.00
Cattle, 1.00
Clover, 1.00
Corn, 1.00
Cotton, 1.00
Flour, 1.00
Hemp, 1.00
Hides, 1.00
Lard, 1.00
Milk, 1.00
Oats, 1.00
Pork, 1.00
Rice, 1.00
Sugar, 1.00
Tallow, 1.00
Wheat, 1.00
Yarn, 1.00

BRIGHTON MARKET, Aug. 10.

At market 300 Beef Cattle, 400 Cows and Calves, 6000 Sheep and Lambs, and 500 Horses.

DEER CATTLE.—We quote extra \$7.00; first quality \$6.25; second quality \$5.50; third quality \$5.00.

BAKED CALVES.—Salem \$8.00; first quality \$7.50; second quality \$7.00; third quality \$6.50.

SHEEP.—Salem \$10.00; first quality \$9.50; second quality \$9.00; third quality \$8.50.

SWINE.—Hogs at \$12.50; retail \$13.00.

BOSTON MARKET, Aug. 14.

FLOUR.—Salem \$8.00; first quality \$7.50; second quality \$7.00; third quality \$6.50.

WHEAT.—Salem \$1.00; first quality \$0.95; second quality \$0.90; third quality \$0.85.

CORN.—Salem \$0.50; first quality \$0.45; second quality \$0.40; third quality \$0.35.

OATS.—Salem \$0.30; first quality \$0.25; second quality \$0.20; third quality \$0.15.

BARLEY.—Salem \$0.40; first quality \$0.35; second quality \$0.30; third quality \$0.25.

RYE.—Salem \$0.60; first quality \$0.55; second quality \$0.50; third quality \$0.45.

BUCKWHEAT.—Salem \$0.70; first quality \$0.65; second quality \$0.60; third quality \$0.55.

SPRINGS.—Salem \$0.80; first quality \$0.75; second quality \$0.70; third quality \$0.65.

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CORN.—Salem \$0.50; first quality \$0.45; second quality \$0.40; third quality \$0.35.

OATS.—Salem \$0.30; first quality \$0.25; second quality \$0.20; third quality \$0.15.

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The Muse.

MAIDENHOOD.

BY R. W. LONSFELLOW

Maintain! with neck, brows, eyelids
In whose core a shadow lies,
Like the dusk in evening skies!

They, whom locks tottering the sun,
Golden and grey, wreathed in one,
As the braided crenellations run!

Standing with reluctant feet,
Where the brook and river meet!
Womanshood and childhood sweet!

Gazing, with a timid glance,
On the brook's or river's vast advance,
On the river's broad expanse!

Deep and still, that gliding stream
Revered to them must seem,
The river of a dream.

Why pause with indecision
That bright sight in thy vision
Seemeth due to Felix Elvion?

That that shadowy mantle
The dove with shadowing eye,
The falcon's shadow fly!

And that those voices on the shore,
That on ears perceive no more,
And that the catenae's roar!

Thou child of many prayers!
Thou quicken—life thou art!
And age come unwearied!

The swell of some sweet tune,
That rises into noon,
Glides onward into June.

Shades the bough where slender'st
Thou blossoms many number'd,
That bloom with snows remember'd!

Then, each flower that grows,
The living heart overflows,
Beats that dust of snows.

Thy life in thy hand;
Of trust cannot withstand
That of that magic wand.

Through sorrow, wrong and ruth,
The dew of youth,
Thips the smile of youth.

Thou like him shall stand
And that cannot be
Sleep ere our shadows end!

Thou, like the sunshine, dart
A sunless heat,
Of God thou art.

The Story-Teller.

[From the Dollar Newspaper.]

LOVE'S DOINGS;
Or, A Passage in the Life of a Hero.

BY MRS. E. R. SWIFT.

"Why, Bishop, I fear we have mistaken the road; this miserable path certainly cannot be the public highway."

This observation was made by a young officer, mounted on a magnificent English charger, to his companion, who was evidently an attendant, or body servant, as domestics holding this situation were called in 1759, the year in which my story commences.

Reining up his spirited steed, the young man looked at the obstruction that prevented his further progress. A huge pine tree had apparently fallen immediately across the track; masses of brushwood and rank weeds had concealed the trunk, which, from its depth and appearance, seemed to have occupied its present station for some time.

Bishop, raising his hand to his cap, replied—"O, yes, Colonel—that tree was placed across the road by those red varmints in their foolishness with the Virginia regulars. If your men will turn to the right, where the bushes are trampled, you will find a bridle path that will lead you to the right place."

"Now, render, I must pause to describe to you my 'owser tale';" for a hero of words of one who knew him seldom seen. He made him, and then drew him well, "Nathan" person was above the destiny the mould."

His frame was robust, uniting strength with gracefulness. In his department was an indescribable dignity, unalloyed brightness or reserve. His face was one of remarkable expression and, once seen, never to be forgotten. The finely chiselled features, when in repose, denoted a character of deep thoughtfulness; but his smile of animation in it that was irresistible, brightened up his countenance with more than ordinary vigour.

They was verging to meridian, when, turning to his attendant, he said—"Come closer to me, Bishop—yes, that will now tell me why, in speaking of Genaddock, last night, you should have said 'as fully murdered?'"

"I respectfully advanced closer to his side," he answered—"and now, Colonel—for you were in that place—that the Virginia provincials in the Indian mode of fighting—each man behind a tree. Well, sir, Genaddock did not like it; he wanted to bring men to order were in confusion that prevailed among the other parts of the army with which the officers behaved with bravery, the panic continued.—Genaddock, on the very horse you came up in, in a towering passion at the sight of his ride raised behind a tree, and down with his sword. The first for I was close beside the General, the quick snap and report of my master fell from his seat, and he lungs."

Some minutes succeeded. Both in his humble attitude seemed affected by painful reminiscences. In the faithful reminiscences of Genaddock at his death, which took place after he was wounded, was Saladin, his English charger, and to the hero of my story.

Then the Colonel, resuming the conversation, it not have been a chance remark?"

"No—he was surrounded by the time. It was whispered that a half savage, half Indian, called, who was brother to the Indian struck down, did not it did not care to meddle with it got hushed up somehow."

"Is the Ferry?"

"Yes, they had crossed the old flat-bottomed craft kept on landing on the Kent side, on their journey, when a riding up to the Colonel, whose progress by profaning the house, whose white colonnading amid the trees at the young officer pleaded Williamsburg, important personage, a Mr. Chambrone, whose grounds they were frank cordiality of a son of the nobility, would not dine with him at

The latest. "A name of a character so dear to all Virginians," said, bowing to the young chief, "was a passport to every home and heart in the colony."

The invitation was at length gracefully accepted, and they proceeded to the house across a lawn thickly studded with forest trees of ancient growth. A portico, paved with flat stones, and its rough pillars covered with a variety of creeping vines, occupied the front of the dwelling, which was a two-story frame building, of large dimensions. The entrance door opened into a wide hall hung with trophies of the chase, and the rude weapons, ornaments and manufactures of the Indian savages. From the hall you entered the lofty drawing-room that occupied one entire side of the house. The windows, reaching to the ground, presented a view of unrivalled beauty. Fertile meadows of grassy luxuriance, watered by the river wound its glittering waters, were seen in the distance; and gently sloping hills, rich with their summer verdure, hid clusters of locust and other trees, through which peeped the white huts of the colored domestics belonging to the plantation. A beautiful spring of water, gushing from a rock near the house, formed a natural cascade, imparting coolness with its gentle murmuring. The coup d'oeil presented a characteristic of repose and rural seclusion that was delebile he is making a hasty toilet, reader, I could room simply, but richly furnished; musical instruments and pictures, tell the character of its inmates. A lovely lady, of countenance of surpassing sweetness, mingling with intelligence and benignity, attracted admiration. She is dressed like a noble and pensive. Her arms are of exquisite work, bare to the dimpled elbows, and hair, worn in the fashion of the day, and back from her polished forehead, she wears in natural ringlets over her neck, and her little taper waist of her dress appears of white spangled satin. She is gazing in caressing tones to a fine, noble-looking, Benjamin of the household. If the day, her still glossy hair combed up with deep lappets, it gleams both with eyes full of affection. It breathes of home and happiness, but pressed in the distractions of the colonial frontier were theatre of tragical events. They were extending their forts and asserting their power by alliances with Canada and Louisiana, acting in concert with the French and Indians, taking the ground, in open opposition towards the English.

He bent forth his last pearl, as orders to Bishop to be at the gate early o'clock with the horses to journey, the Colonel descended the drawing-room, preceded by his valet. Introductions to the various places, (for, in the olden times, a part of every Virginia gentleman's education,) and he was placed next to the widow, (the lady in the white dress) that his situation was indeed ample. Mr. Chamberlayne, a kind friend of a Virginia gentleman, kindness and hospitality; and, with her graceful attentions, and polish of her man-traveller forget that he was and stranger friends. The kept up with spirit and eloquence and kindness ruled the Colonel had but recently left America, then objects of intense interest. The laurels won around his youthful brows freshened. Interesting tales in which he had been and peculiarities of the treacherous friendships to the indomitable courage of his peculiar modes of the subjects of the charming Desdemona, "to hear his eyes" beamed upon the speaker, whose words dignified bearing and serious, where seriousness realized her idea of a Nor was the Colonel of glances of the softest to his own, or the th that uttered in low, or surprise, or the ent than speech, of the occupied a recess in the truck five. Its war-borne by the enamored soldier smiled, as from atop at his post, exact master's noble warfare, though he obeyed the with impatience his tardy owner. Bishop stood like a statue ready to present a face, turning to an enchanted served the Colonel. He was ever strict in his re- by the poor fellow astounded while up the horses for importance of the burgundy, and the w of nothing in mind detain him. King George, as a sphynx," dispatches from ears from the and was played a braveheart himself like the lion-skin the excess

present automaton of a modern ball-room. The sable population, at the first sound of the instrument, rushed pell mell from their huts, and gathering on the lawn in front of the window, kept time to the music of "young missus" with such mad gaiety and strange contortion of faces and twisting of limbs, such a complication of odd steps and figures of nature's teaching, that the scene without was as graphic as that within.

At a late hour the guests separated for their respective rooms. The young military chief pressed his pillow with his head and heart full of the enchanting vision. His emotions were new to him. Bred in camps, his home tented field, the charms of a woman had been to him a sealed book. Though in his early boyhood it was said "he, too, had dreamed," yet since that period glory had been the mistresses at whose shrine he worshipped. Now, in his seven-and-twentieth year, he was the first Virginia regiment, and his military career had been crowned with a success that seemed miraculous. The Indian guardianship of the Great Spirit was about him; for an aged Indian brave told him, through an interpreter, "that, during the battle of Braddock's field, he had singled him out as before was ever unerring in his aim, repeatedly at him, and directed his rise, which he did same but none of the bulls took effect." He said also he "had travelled a long way to see the great chief who would never die in battle." And now this invincible warrior, who had been a terror to thousands, was vanquished by the charms of a woman! Truly did the great poet say, "that Beauty is a witch."

The next morning, at an early hour, Bishop, know how soon they should commence their journey, already in the opinion of the faithful servant, too long delayed. Five minutes later, his face clouded with care, he was seen in the stable carousing the Colonel's noble steed, while the exclamation "bewitched!" escaped from his compressed lips.

The breakfast was served in a small room whose glass doors opened into a garden rich with a thousand summer blossoms. Roses and the deep-art tracery of the door opened extensive views of the surrounding country. The mists of morning yet hovered over the peaks of the distant mountains, whose successive ridges were loam in the dim haze, illuminated by the beams of the newly-risen sun. The dew-bespangled branches of the trees glittered in its beams, while the twisted plants, in a perfect wilderness of garlands were sporting in the fresh air, some clinging to the ancient sycamores, moss-grown with age, or trailing over the velvet lawn, transformed to their verdant green into a mosaic of gorgeous coloring.

Standing by one of the windows admiring the view, the young chief heard the fall of a light step in the vestibule, and his heart beat with a quickened pulsation as the door opened, and Mrs. Custis, smiling arrayed in a white morning dress, joined the assembled circle. The undisguised admiration, so unequivocally expressed in the Colonel's glances, might have informed a vain woman that the gentle being that she had made to the gentle hero. Perhaps she understood the eloquent look, for the rose on her cheek deepened as with winning softness she returned his salutations.

O, magnetism of love! by what strange sympathy dost thou bind two hearts meeting for the first time in thy indismissible clasp? Ray divine, thy home is heaven; or whence the exquisite felicity, the child-like trust, the holy faith? Why can a smile, a tone, impart such unutterable happiness that an increase of it would almost be pain?

"O, golden chain, let down from Heaven,
That falls like sleep on lovers, and combines
In the soft and sweetest moods,
The equal knots!"

So sang a poet of the olden time, "glorious Ben Johnson;" and the young soldier might experience.

A Virginia breakfast! Who that has partaken of its luxuries will ever forget it? The aromatic coffee, diffusing its fragrant odor throughout the apartment—the rich bread, with its accompaniment of golden butter, newly churned, awakening by its fresh, where the white clover hides its clustering bells—the luscious ham, red, ripe and juicy, that might tempt an Israelite to sin—the succulent, white as a snow-drift! But why should I seek to describe its noble hospitality? It must be realized to be appreciated. Rather let me speak of the cordial kindness that welcomed him in an atmosphere of home feeling, until he forgets that he is not united with the tender relations of life to this affectionate people. In the hospitality of a Virginian there is no display, no pretension; warm from the heart his generous impulses diffuse pleasure and happiness around him; and the divine precept of Christianity, "Love thy brother as thyself," seems less a principle with him than an instinct of his nature.

Breakfast being concluded, a ride was proposed around the plantation. The Virginia Custies are admirable horsewomen, and Mrs. Custis excelled in this invigorating exercise. She had a small jennet, remarkable for its beauty and docility, on which she was daily in the habit of making excursions in the surrounding neighborhood. It was now with the horses belonging to the other guests brought round to the door. In a few minutes, arrayed in an English riding habit and cap, she admirably became her style of beauty, she made her appearance, and lightly springing on her gentle steed, gave him a touch of her riding-whip, and away like a gazelle he bounded with his lovely laden.

"Ay," laughingly cried Mrs. Chamberlayne, "that is one of her woman's tricks! She is a perfect Atlanta on her horseback. After flight, until we overtake you."

The soldier needed no second command, and in a few moments they were both beyond sight. Following with promptitude the direction taken by his charger, the young chief was soon by her side, and the pleasure he experienced was betrayed by his kindling eye as with a winning smile he besought permission to be her escort.

Not far hence around them, nor the bright sun that lit up with his glorious beams his gaze from the sweet face beside him; so touching the purity and grace that surrounded her.

Mr. Chamberlayne and his party had returned from their morning's drive and were wondering what road Mrs. Custis and the Colonel had chosen, as they had failed in overtaking the

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